

## **ALPOA Beach Rules** (last revised 7.10.18)

- The beach is open only during the seasonal hours listed on the activities page on the website. There are hours when lifeguards are present as well as hours when swimming is allowed at your own risk.
- Upon arriving at the beach, membership card must be presented.
- Guests must be accompanied by a member with a membership card. There is a limit of five guests per visit. One visit allows up to as many as five guests. A visit consists of an entire day. Guests are welcome and expected to be occasional; guest privileges are not to be used in place of a membership.
- Caregivers of member children (in place of an adult in the household) are not required to use a guest visit. Caregivers of non-member children need to apply for a yearly waiver from the board.
- Enter and exit the roped in swim area by the beach only. No swimming outside the roped-in area. No fishing anywhere on the beach area and no boating within the roped area.
- Children under 14 years old must be accompanied by an adult (a person 18 years old or older). There is a limit of no more than four children under the age of 10 per adult.
- No alcohol or glass containers are allowed on the beach.
- No animals are permitted on the beach, except approved service animals.
- Members are responsible for discarding their own trash. Members are responsible for filling in holes dug in the sand by their children or guests.
- Lifeguard chairs, beach equipment, the guardhouse and phone are for beach staff use only.
- Any activities that are deemed to be dangerous or annoying to others, such as intoxication or the use of profanity will not be tolerated and can result in expulsion from the beach by the lifeguard on duty.
- Only Coast Guard approved PFDs are allowed.
- At the guards' discretion any members or guests may be required to pass a swim test before going to the raft. Those who cannot pass this test will not be allowed on the raft. Being accompanied by an adult is NOT an exception.
- No more than 10 people are allowed on the raft at one time. Rough housing is not permitted on the raft. Diving off the back of the raft and swimming underneath is not allowed.
- There is no smoking on the beach or in the pavilion area.
- All are welcome to play volleyball at your own risk.
- All grilling must be in the pavilion area. No grilling or fires on the beach are permitted except at sanctioned ALPOA/ALMA events.
- Rain Policy: The beach may be closed in the event of rain, lightening and/or thunder. Members must leave the water whenever thunder is heard in the immediate area, lightening is seen or hard rain is falling. They must remain out of the water for twenty minutes after the last occurrence. Members are encouraged to wait in their cars. No one should be on the beach or in the pavilion area. If, in the judgement of the life guard(s), the rain will last over an hour, the beach will be closed until the rain stops or for the remainder of the day. If it is raining at the beginning of the beach day, the beach will remain closed until the rain stops.
- Beach Party requests: Members may submit a beach party request form, at least two weeks prior to the event, to the ALPOA PO box ([link to form here](#)). A party request form is required when a member wishes to bring more than five guests and to utilize the pavilion area exclusively.